

I was very upset to learn that Sinclair Broadcasting will be airing an Anti-Kerry program in all 60 of their stations. If this isn't reason enough to change the rules of media ownership, I don't know what is! Why should one broadcasting company have so much power to influence public opinion on our own airwaves. I would really like to see the FCC exert some control and demand that Sinclair drop their plans to air Anti-Kerry propaganda or show a Pro-Kerry documentary such as "Going Upriver" for balance.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy. Instead of something produced at "News Central" far away, it's more important that we see real people from our own communities and more substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.